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SUBJ: CODEL PRICE

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1. WE LOOK FORWARD TO FORTHCOMING VISIT OF CODEL PRICE TO ISRAEL. DEFENSE ATTACHE COL BILLY B FORSMAN HAS BEEN APPOINTED CONTROL OFFICE AND FSO WILLIAM A KIRBY DEPUTY CONTROL OFFICER. AS SOON AS WE RECEIVE TELEGRAM ON SUBSTANTIVE PORTION OF VISIT, WE WILL BEGIN TO DEVELOP PROGRAM IN COORDINATION WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY AND DEFENSE MINISTRY.

2. WE ASSUME THAT LARGE PORTION OF PROGRAM WILL BE CENTERED IN TEL AVIV AREA AND WILL THEREFORE ARRANGE HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS HERE. DEFENSE MINISTRY AS WELL AS IDF HEADQUARTERS LOCATED IN TEL AVIV WHICH IS ALSO CENTRAL LOCATION FOR AIR TRANSPORT FOR SIDE TRIPS TO GOLAN HEIGHTS, ETC. ONE DAY WILL MORE THAN LIKELY BE SPENT IN JERUSALEM WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY ONE AND ONE-HALF

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HOURLY DRIVE FROM TEL AVIV. BUS FOR TRANSPORTATION PLUS TRUCK

FOR BAGGAGE WILL BE ARRANGED.

3. WE NOTE THAT CODEL DUE TO ARRIVE 1715 FRIDAY, FEB 7,
WHICH IS START OF JEWISH SABBATH. THIS WOULD PRECLUDE ANY MEETINGS
WITH ISRAELI OFFICIALS UNTIL SATURDAY EVENING AT THE EARLIEST ALTHOUGH
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IDF MIGHT BE WILLING TO SCHEDULE SOMETHING FOR SATURDAY. IF
THERE IS FLEXIBILITY IN CODEL SCHEDULE WE WOULD RECOMMEND
ARRIVING IN ISRAEL ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON OR SUNDAY IN ORDER
ARRANGE MORE PRODUCTIVE PROGRAM. LATER ARRIVAL WOULD
ALLOW AMBASSADOR KEATING, WHO IS CURRENTLY OUT OF COUNTRY
AND EXPECTED TO RETURN FEB 9, TO PARTICIPATE IN PROGRAM AND
HOST DINNER FOR CODEL. PLEASE ADVISE RE FEASIBILITY OF
ADJUSTING ARRIVAL TIME.
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